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Offered by:

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"AN ACT CONCERNING WEIGH STATION OPERATIONS."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 14-270c of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2007*):

5 (a) The Commissioners of Public Safety and Motor Vehicles shall
6 staff the official weighing areas as follows:

7 (1) Greenwich: [Eight work shifts in each seven-day period from
8 Sunday through Saturday. No such shifts shall be worked
9 consecutively, except that two shifts may be worked consecutively on
10 not more than three days] Twelve hours per day in four-hour shifts
11 Monday through Friday and eight hours per day in four-hour shifts on
12 Saturday and Sunday;

13 (2) Danbury: [Three work shifts in each seven-day period from
14 Sunday through Saturday.] The Commissioner of Public Safety shall,

15 whenever possible, coordinate coverage between this official weighing
16 area and the official weighing area in Greenwich, in order to ensure
17 concurrent coverage; eight hours per day in four-hour shifts Monday
18 through Friday and four hours per day in a four-hour shift on
19 Saturday and Sunday;

20 (3) Union: [Between five and eight work shifts in each seven-day
21 period from Sunday through Saturday.] The Commissioner of Motor
22 Vehicles shall coordinate the hours of operation of this official
23 weighing area, in order to ensure coverage, eight hours per day in
24 four-hour shifts Monday through Friday; and

25 (4) Portable scale locations: Ten shifts in each seven-day period from
26 Sunday through Saturday which shall be staggered throughout the
27 four geographical areas established by the Commissioner of Public
28 Safety with concentration in areas that have fewer hours of operation
29 for the permanent weighing areas.

30 (b) The Commissioners of Public Safety and Motor Vehicles shall
31 adjust the work shifts required in subsection (a) of this section on a
32 daily basis in order to effectuate an unpredictable schedule.

33 (c) The Commissioner of Public Safety may assign any remaining
34 personnel in the traffic unit to the permanent weighing areas in
35 Waterford and Middletown or to the portable scale operations.

36 (d) The Commissioner of Public Safety shall assign personnel from
37 the traffic unit to work between nine and twelve shifts in each seven-
38 day period from Sunday through Saturday to patrol and enforce laws
39 relative to the safe movement of all vehicles on the highways of the
40 state.

41 (e) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the Commissioner of Public
42 Safety from reassigning personnel in the traffic unit as he deems
43 necessary in order to ensure public safety.

44 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) Logs shall be maintained for

45 every shift at all weigh stations in Connecticut. Each log shall contain
46 the following information: (1) Location, date and hours of each shift,
47 (2) the hours the "OPEN" sign is illuminated, (3) the number of
48 Department of Motor Vehicles and Department of Public Safety
49 officers or civilian technicians at each shift, (4) the numbers and
50 weights of all vehicles inspected, (5) the type of vehicle inspections, (6)
51 the number and types of citations issued, (7) revenues collected, and
52 (8) operating costs per shift.

53 (b) Not later than January 1, 2008, a written report shall be
54 submitted to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly
55 having cognizance of matters relating to transportation. Such report
56 shall be submitted semiannually, and shall also be posted on the
57 Department of Motor Vehicles' and Department of Public Safety's web
58 sites."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	14-270c
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section